

# The Safi Signal



SAFI SCHOOL PROJECT

MAY, 2018

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## HURRY: Countdown to Pig Roast Running



It's almost SAFI PIG ROAST time, and here's what you need to know:

**The day:** JUNE 9 at Nelson's and Collins'.

**The Time:** Come around 4. The Piping of the Pig Ceremony and follow-up gluttony begin about 5.

**The Price:** \$50/person. Order tickets from Katie Collins, phone 360 943-8824 or email at [mkatherinacollins@gmail.com](mailto:mkatherinacollins@gmail.com).

All Proceeds benefit the Safi Students.

Parking at the Collins'. Save the Nelson's driveway for loading and unloading. Watch for signs.



Hey buddy, you wanna piece of me???

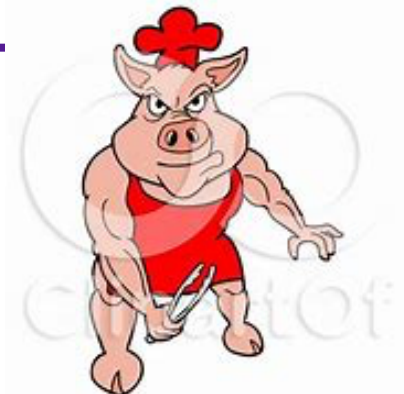
WHAT DO YOU CALL A PIG THAT DOES KARATE?



PORK CHOP

*If a pig loses its voice, is it disgruntled?*

*George Carlin*



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## A note from Mary

All is going well with my healing. I have energy and appetite and feel almost normal. Thanks for all your good wishes and kinds thoughts.

A word about the September - October Africa trip: Dates are not etched in stone as we hope to find out the day of graduation for our students at Bishop Durning. But it looks like we will depart on September 16 or 17 and return Oct. 6 or 7. Exact dates depend on graduation and on airfares on particular days. The trip will include visiting our students at Bishop Durning, working with Baraka and Frida and all the projects that we need to talk about, going to other Non-Profit organizations and a safari to Tarangire and Ngorogoro Crater.

Oh, and don't forget, another purposeful travel trip to Tanzania will be coming up in late January/early February of next year which will include SAFI projects and the migration.

## Safi School Project - Women's Health Project

By Lola Deane

Frida Alex, a graduate midwife and staff member of Karibu, consultants for the Safi School Project, has requested financial help from the Safi School Project Board for feminine hygiene support for the sponsored female students at Bishop Durning Secondary School. There are 27 Safi sponsored girls currently enrolled at Bishop Durning as boarding students. These girls are now utilizing pads or rags to take care of their menses, but none of them have money to buy pads on a regular basis, and using rags requires taking time away from study and school to keep a ready supply available. Several of the girls have menorrhagia and require more pads than normal, amplifying the situation.

It has been documented by multiple international organizations and women's groups that the education of girls in developing countries suffers when their monthly periods are not hygienically addressed, as the girls often do not attend school during this time. Bishop Durning does have an incinerator for disposal of the pads.

In correspondence with Frida I have been impressed with her grasp and understanding of the situation and her solution to assist the girls. In factoring costs of sanitary pads in Tanzania vs the US the cost is about \$1 more/month for normal menstrual periods. The sponsorship amount for the 27 girls would be \$130/month for the rest of this school year through December, 2018 (7 months). The pads would be distributed through Frida.

The Safi School Project Board voted to adopt the Women's Health Project as a sponsorship outreach to be offered specifically to women's groups such as Book Clubs, Knitting groups, Soup & Gather groups; and to individuals, for group sponsorship of one month at \$130.

If you have a group (or individual) that would be interested in helping with this effort please contact Lola Deane, at 360-468-3351, or [lhshaw@gmail.com](mailto:lhshaw@gmail.com). We would be happy to provide you with more information and or one of the Board members to come to your group, and also show the new Safi video. Checks to Safi School Project-Women's Health can be sent to PO Box 8275, Lacey, WA 98509. And thank you for your help!

May 15, 2018

## Help SAFI . . .

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**For Thriven members:** Don't forget that Thrivent members can donate through Thrivent to SAFI.